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In re Application of:

M. Pinarbasi

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For: SPIN VALVE SENSOR FREE LAYER  
STRUCTURE WITH A COBALT  
BASED LAYER THAT PROMOTES  
MAGNETIC STABILITY AND  
HIGH MAGNETORESISTANCE



Group No.: 2652

Examiner: B. Miller

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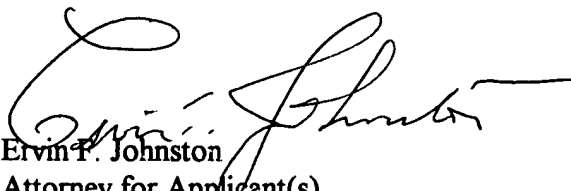
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In response to the Office Action mailed 09/24/01, the Applicant elects Group II method claims 28-54 without traverse.

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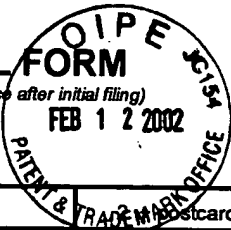
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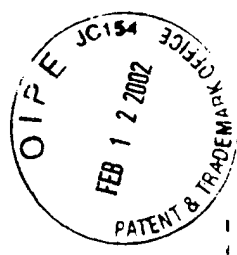


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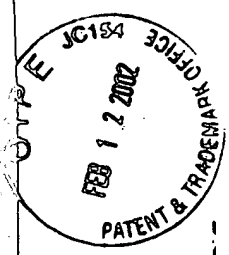
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